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JOHN TODD, AKA LANCE COLLINS, TGP (A), OO BUTTE.

BUTTE OFFICE RECEIVED ANONYMOUS CALL, MARCH 5, 1979,  
AT 3:05 P.M. CALLER REPORTED JOHN TODD, WHO HAS 10 ACRE  
FARM LOCATED ROUTE 1, BOX 143, FLORENCE, MONTANA, STOCK-  
PILING WEAPONS. CALLER ADVISED HE HAS SEEN U. S. M-16  
FULLY-AUTOMATIC RIFLES, FOREIGN-MADE AUTOMATIC WEAPONS, AND  
FIVE LAR'S ROCKETS AT TODD RESIDENCE. ALSO CLAIMS TO HAVE

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SEEN BOX OF GRENADES BEING BURIED ON THE FARM. ALLEGES TRAINING EXERCISES HAVE BEEN CONDUCTED AND GROUP LEAVING FOR MISSION IN CALIFORNIA THIS WEEKEND. ANONYMOUS CALLER DECLINED TO BE MORE SPECIFIC AND HUNG UP.

BUTTE HAS LOCATED ARTICLE CAPTIONED, "THE LEGEND OF JOHN TODD," IN THE FEBRUARY 2, 1979, ISSUE OF PUBLICATION, "CHRISTIANITY TODAY," VOLUME 23, NO. 9, KENNETH S. KANTZER, EDITOR, WHICH STATES TODD ALLEGES PRESIDENT JIMMY CARTER IS ANTI-CHRIST AND HIS SISTER, RUTH CARTER STAPLETON, IS LEADING HIGH PRIESTESS OF WITCHCRAFT, WHO TAUGHT TODD FINER POINTS OF THE BEWITCHING ART. TODD ALSO ALLEGES CARTER TAKES ORDERS DIRECTLY FROM THE ROTHCHILDS AND THAT THE PRESIDENT WOULD PUSH THROUGH LEGISLATION OUTLAWING PRIVATE OWNERSHIP OF GUNS, REMOVING TAX EXEMPTION FROM ALL CHURCHES EXCEPT THOSE ASSOCIATED WITH THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHURCHES, BAN CONVERSION TO OTHER RELIGION, AND PROHIBIT THE STORING OF FOOD AND MEDICINE. ACCORDING TO ARTICLE, TODD ALSO ALLEGES THE ROTHCHILDS WILL CREATE A FALSE FUEL SHORTAGE, CONFISCATE ALL GUNS, AND CALL FOR THE MURDER AND TORTURE OF CHRISTIANS WHOSE NAMES HAVE BEEN STORED IN COMPUTERS. TO SURVIVE, TODD

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SAYS CHRISTIANS MUST ARM THEMSELVES, BUILD UP FOOD SUPPLIES TO LAST FIVE YEARS, HIDE IN WILDERNESS FORTRESSES, AND KILL ATTACKERS.

THIS ARTICLE INDICATES TODD HAS LIVED AT CANOGA PARK, CALIFORNIA; SANTA ANA, CALIFORNIA; DAYTON, OHIO; INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA; PHOENIX, ARIZONA; AND SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS WITHIN PAST TEN YEARS.

ARTICLE ALSO STATES TODD HAS FELONY WARRANT ISSUED AGAINST HIM IN NEW MEXICO FOR PASSING BAD CHECKS; WAS ARRESTED IN COLUMBUS, OHIO, IN 1968, FOR MALICIOUS DESTRUCTION OF PROPERTY; SERVED TWO SIX-MONTH SENTENCES IN DAYTON, OHIO, FOR CONTRIBUTING TO THE UNRULINESS OF A MINOR, AFTER A 16 YEAR-OLD GIRL TOLD POLICE ABOUT THE WITCHCRAFT INITIATION RITE CARRIED OUT IN THE NUDE, DURING WHICH TODD FORCED HER TO HAVE ORAL SEX AND TODD ALLEGED TO HAVE OTHER ARREST RECORDS.

TODD, WHO IS ALSO KNOWN AS LANCE COLLINS, DESCRIBED AS WM, AGE APPROXIMATELY 29, 6' 4", NO OTHER DESCRIPTION AVAILABLE TO BUTTE.

BUTTE INDICES NEGATIVE. TODD HAS NO RECORD, RAVALLI COUNTY SO, HAMILTON, MONTANA, WHICH COVERS FLORENCE, MONTANA

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HAS NO MONTANA DRIVER'S LICENSE AND IS UNKNOWN TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES. LOCAL AUTHORITIES HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANY REPORTS OF AUTOMATIC RIFLE FIRE IN AREA.

RECEIVING OFFICES REQUESTED TO SUTEL ANY BACKGROUND INFORMATION AND PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION. ADVISE WHETHER OR NOT WANTED.

IN VIEW OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN ARTICLE AND INFORMATION RECEIVED FROM ANONYMOUS CALLER, TODD SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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JOHN TODD, AKA LANCE COLLINS, TGP (A), OO: BUTTE.

RE BUTTE TEL TO BUREAU, MARCH 6, 1979.

FOR INFORMATION OF BUTTE, A REVIEW OF ALBUQUERQUE INDICES REFLECTS TWO REFERENCES FOR A JOHN D. TODD, ONE OF WHICH IS NOT IDENTICAL TO CAPTIONED SUBJECT AND THE OTHER HAS BEEN DESTROYED (OO MIAMI). CONTACT WITH LOCAL AUTHORITIES, ALBUQUERQUE, FAILED TO REVEAL ANY WANTED INFORMATION FOR SUBJECT.

IN VIEW OF INFORMATION CONTAINED IN RE COMMUNICATION, TODD SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED AND EXTREMELY DANGEROUS.

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TO: DIRECTOR, FBI (52-104224)

FROM: SAC, BUTTE (52-5765) (C)

SUBJECT: CHANGED  
JOHN WAYNE TODD  
aka John Todd  
Johnnie Wayne Todd  
Lance Collins  
TGP (A)  
OO: Butte

Title changed to show Subject's complete name and known aliases.

Re Butte teletype to Bureau, 3/6/79.

Enclosed for the Bureau are four copies of an LHM.

Copies of this LHM have been disseminated to the U. S. Secret Service and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

No further action being taken by Butte.

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In Reply, Please Refer to  
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Butte, Montana 59701  
April 5, 1979

JOHN WAYNE TODD,  
also known as John Todd,  
Johnnie Wayne Todd,  
Lance Collins  
THEFT OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY

At 2:50 p.m., March 5, 1979, an anonymous caller telephoned the FBI at Butte, Montana, stating that he would not stay on the phone long, would not state where he was calling from, nor identify himself. The caller sounded like an adult male, he used good grammar, was well spoken, he did not seem to be at all intoxicated.

The caller advised that JOHN TODD resides on a 10-acre farm at Route #1, Box #143, Florence, Montana. He stated that TODD claims to be a mercenary and that he was formerly a part of the "Jones thing," from the Los Angeles area.

The Agent asked the caller what he was referring to in the "Jones thing." He advised that it was a part of the organization which participated in the mass suicide.

The caller advised that TODD has been training persons on the 10-acre farm near Florence in the use of M-16 fully automatic weapons and other foreign-made automatic weapons. The caller stated that he personally observed TODD and others burying a box of hand grenades on the farm and also he saw five LARS Rockets. He stated that he has observed people training in weapons and hand-to-hand combat. He described JOHN TODD as follows:

<u>Race</u>	<u>White</u>
<u>Sex</u>	<u>Male</u>
<u>Height</u>	<u>6' 4"</u>
<u>Weight</u>	<u>220#</u>

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JOHN WAYNE TODD

The caller said TODD claims he was formerly with the Special Forces and he usually wears Special Forces-type fatigue clothing.

The caller advised that TODD has been in the Florence, Montana, area for about two months.

An attempt was made to obtain the identity of the caller and an attempt was made to have him be in touch with an FBI Special Agent. He refused such a contact.

The caller advised that TODD and his group were supposed to be going to Los Angeles this weekend for some type of a mission, the nature of which was unknown to him.

Information relating to JOHN TODD is contained in an article, captioned "The Legend(s) of John Todd," that appeared in the February 2, 1979, issue of "Christianity Today," Volume XXIII, #9, HAROLD MYRA PUBLISHER and KENNETH S. KANTZER, Editor (see attached pages).



## The Legend(s) of John Todd

Is witch-turned-evangelist John Todd a prophet sent from God to warn America about an impending takeover by sinister forces, or a fraud?

Fundamentalists across America disagree over the question, charismatic leaders are fighting mad, and some supporters are stockpiling food, stashing weapons, and building fortified "retreat" hideaways in preparation for a last stand against the hordes of evil.

Todd, 29, meanwhile has announced that he is through. He told friends in the Los Angeles area last month that he has been shot at frequently and that his house was firebombed. Therefore, he said, he will take no more speaking engagements; he, his wife, and three children will head for a secret retreat location.

"I tried to wake up the people in this country," he is quoted as saying. "But they didn't listen."

Until a year ago Todd was unknown in most

church circles. On January 1, 1978, he joined independent Faith Baptist Church in Canoga Park, California. That same day he headed East where a speaking tour had been arranged by Pastor Tom Berry of the 3,000-member Bible Baptist Church in Elkton, Maryland. The tour, which began with two meetings in the Elkton church, was prolonged as the word spread about Todd's sensational revelations.

"We've had many great preachers in our pulpit, but there was more talk around town after he left than with any other preacher we've had," reported Pastor Dino Pedrone of the Open Door Church in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania, where Todd addressed more than 1,000 people last February.

Pedrone, who had invited Todd on Berry's recommendation, recorded Todd's talks and circulated copies of them widely. The church, he said, gave Todd about \$1,000 for a rehabilitation center for ex-witches that Todd supposedly was establishing. (Pedrone says he has reservations about Todd now, and that he would probably not invite him back.)

In June, a reporter covered Todd's appearance at a large Baptist church in

Zionsville, Indiana, and United Press International flashed the story across the nation. Meanwhile, taped cassettes of his messages were being circulated everywhere, often anonymously. And for every person with reservations about Todd, there were others, including Berry, who seemed convinced that Todd's messages were authentic.

Berry has produced a manual, "The Christian During Riot and After Revolution," that incorporates Todd's views. It includes a section on "the morality of killing," and tells Christians to buy weapons and ammunition, and to build retreats.

**'We found a very negative situation conducted by an ex-Satanist, ex-Christian priest as a cover for sexual perversion and drug abuse.'**

As Todd tells it, he was born into witchcraft and became a Grand Druid high priest in the Illuminati, a secret group of powerful conspirators, which, Todd says, plans a world takeover. He says he was also a member of the "Council of Thirteen," one of the chosen few who rank just below the world-ruling Rothschild family, Jewish bankers with roots in eighteenth-century Europe who Todd claims are really demons.

Todd says he joined the army to establish covers of witches, that he became a decorated Green Beret in Viet Nam, and that he was later transferred to Germany, where he killed a former commanding officer in a two-hour shootout in Stuttgart. He says the Illuminati got him out of jail and that the Pentagon destroyed all his military records.

The Illuminati, Todd says, have already begun implementing their plans for a world takeover. He says an upheaval is slated in the United States in 1979. Todd also publicly claims that President Jimmy Carter is the Anti-Christ, and that his sister Ruth Carter Stapleton is a leading high priestess of witchcraft who taught Todd the finer points of the bewitching arts. The President, Todd alleges, takes

orders directly "from the Rothschilds." According to Todd, Carter would push rough legislation that would outlaw private ownership of guns, remove tax exemptions from all churches except those associated with the National Council of Churches, ban conversion to another religion, and prohibit the storing of food and medicine. The Rothschilds, Todd alleges, will create a false fuel shortage, confiscate all guns, and call for the murder and torture of Christians (whose names have been stored in computers). Congress will be suspended and martial law established, with one policeman for every five people. There will be economic chaos.

To survive, Todd says, Christians must arm themselves, build up food supplies to last five years, hide in wilderness fortresses, and kill attackers.

The worldwide conspiracy is so extensive that Christians can trust no one today, not even America's best-known evangelical preachers and lay leaders, says Todd. He charges that while he was a high-ranking witch he sent an \$8 million check to Pastor Chuck Smith of famed Calvary Chapel in Costa Mesa, California, to set up the Maranatha music company and launch "Jesus rock" music. (Smith denied the charge in his church publication.)

Todd claims that he delivered \$35 million to founder Demos Shakarian of the Full Gospel Businessmen's Fellowship; he alleges that Shakarian is a leading figure in the Illuminati. The witches,

Todd says, also helped build Melodyland Christian Center in Anaheim, whose pastor—Ralph Wilkerson—is part of the conspiracy. Todd similarly implicates the CBN and PTL Christian television networks and their leaders. He hints that glossolalia, itself, is an invention of witches.

In a recent attack, Todd alleged that television preacher Jerry Falwell, a non-charismatic, was "bought off" with a \$50 million check during a trip to the Middle East. (When some of his hard-core followers expressed dismay, Todd tried to have the remark erased from the tapes, according to an informant.) Falwell's church, Thomas Road Baptist in Lynchburg, Virginia, last month returned Todd's fire with a blistering editorial against Todd in the church newspaper, which is sent to many of Falwell's TV viewers.

Incredible as it all seems, thousands of church members, including a number of pastors, have apparently accepted all or most of Todd's message as gospel truth—despite statements of outrage and denial by charismatic leaders, along with protests by experts in occult studies that Todd's accounts are simply false.

Most of Todd's listeners have assumed that he is also telling the truth about his conversion from witchcraft to Christianity, an event that took place in San Antonio in October, 1972, according to his testimonies in numerous churches last year.

He says he embraced Christianity after reading a Chick Publications tract, seeing the movie *The Cross and the Switchblade*, and being exposed to the ministries of a Christian coffeehouse and the Castle Hills Baptist Church. The church pastor at that time, Jack Taylor, affirms that Todd indeed had made a profession of faith, though little else was known about him. Taylor later uncovered discrepancies in Todd's accounts and since has become a Todd critic.

### 'Strange Things Happen'

"Strange things began to happen" when Todd returned to California from his first eastern tour in early April, 1978, says Pastor Roland Rasmussen of Faith Baptist in Canoga Park. Todd claimed several times that he had been shot at in the vicinity of the church parking lot.

Todd told Rasmussen that he had gone through a period of backsliding. He said he had sold occult books from a store he ran for a while in Dayton, Ohio, but emphasized he had never gone back into occult activity.

Then one of Todd's friends in the congregation, occult researcher Mike Griffin, informed the pastor about a startling discovery. Griffin had borrowed from Todd a recording made from a television newscast of a meeting the ex-witch had conducted in Ventura, California. Listening to it privately, Griffin heard more than the brief newscast since the taped cassette also had been used to record an earlier meeting where Todd was instructing would-be witches how to mix potions and cast spells. Todd's own statements during the recorded class session indicate that it was held on March 3, 1976, in the Dayton store known as The Witches Caldron, and that he had been involved in occult practices since at least the previous March.

(On the tape, Todd—his witch name is Lance Collins—makes such statements as "I feel witchcraft is more powerful than Christianity" and "we're not Christians.")

Rasmussen called a meeting of the deacons on May 27, when they confronted Todd with excerpts of the tape. The pastor also reminded Todd that he carried no gun—contrary to what Todd had told an Indiana audience from personal knowledge a short time earlier. Todd, offering virtually no explanation, shrugged and left—after retrieving his automatic pistol that tumbled from his hip pocket when he got up from his chair. On the next night, the church voted unanimously to eject Todd from membership and remove endorsement of his ministry.

Rasmussen was introduced to Todd in June, 1977, by Jack Chick of Chick Publi-

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cations in Cucamonga, and Rasmussen was in turn introduced to Berry. Chick, a Baptist, says he first heard Todd in 1973 at a meeting of charismatic evangelist Doug Clark's "Amazing Prophecies" group. Impressed, Chick featured Todd in several Christian comic-book stories. Despite the controversy, he says he still believes Todd, though he admits to "not knowing what to believe" about Todd's charge that prominent charismatic ministers are agents of the Illuminati.

### Support From Clergy

Berry and four other prominent Baptist ministers, along with several associates, met with Todd at Villa Baptist Church in Indianapolis. They later released a paper reaffirming their beliefs that Todd is genuinely born again, that he is sincerely trying to serve Christ, and that his accounts of experiences in the ruling circles of witchcraft "are reliable reports."

Todd, however, hit the road again with a heavy schedule of meetings, some of them arranged by Berry. At a closed meeting of nearly 3,000 pastors and lay leaders hosted by Berry in a Maryland restaurant, Todd again recounted his experiences as a witch and as a member of the Illuminati. He also retraced his conversion in 1972 in San Antonio.

But Todd apparently didn't tell everything. CHRISTIANITY TODAY has learned, for example, that Todd showed up in Phoenix early in 1968 as a 19-year-old Pentecostal storefront preacher with a wife named Linda and her four-year-old child Tanya. While staying with relatives, he called Pastor James Outlaw of the Jesus Name Church and asked to be baptized. Todd said he had been studying the teachings of William Brannam and wanted to be rebaptized in the name of Jesus only. (Brannam taught that God manifests himself in different ways at different times but is always Jesus.)

Todd testified to Outlaw that he had been a witch while in "the navy" but was converted while attending a storefront Pentecostal church in southern California.

Outlaw says Todd disappeared and returned months later without Linda. Todd explained that God had given them a prophecy to split up and seek other mates. The pastor says he and his wife admonished Todd about the error of such thinking but nevertheless helped him get a job as a busboy in a Mexican restaurant. Then Todd disappeared again and did not return until late 1972 or early 1973. Outlaw introduced Todd this time to Pentecostal Ken Long, a local leader of the Jesus movement who operated the "Open Door" coffeehouse.

Long, who has since switched from Pentecostalism and become pastor of Bible Heritage Free Will Baptist Church in Phoenix, enlisted Todd as a coffeehouse worker. "Things began happening," declares Long. "John Todd did

miracles." Long says he watched Todd heal a handicapped youth's leg.

On one excursion, Long and Todd met Sharon Garver in San Antonio. She returned with them to Phoenix and married Todd in August, 1973. Meanwhile, Long says he began getting reports that Todd was trying to seduce teenage girls at the coffeehouse. (Two later confessed that they had sexual relations with him.) Four girls revealed that Todd wanted them to form a witches coven and that he told them that he was still in witchcraft. Long later removed Todd from the coffeehouse ministry.

Todd drifted from job to job and then struck paydirt. He gave his "testimony" during a telethon for a Christian TV station. He claimed that the Illuminati were financing some fundamentalist churches, that he had been the Kennedy family's personal warlock ("John F. Kennedy was not really killed; I just came back from a visit with him on his yacht"), and that he had witnessed the stabbing of a girl by Senator George McGovern in an act of sacrifice.

More than \$25,000 was pledged during the telethon and the management offered to employ Todd—who was then, reportedly, packing a .38 snub-nosed revolver. He eventually declined. Doug Clark heard of Todd and invited him to appear on his "Amazing Prophecies" show. Overnight Todd became a hit in charismatic circles in southern California, and he and Sharon moved to Santa Ana.

Soon the Todds were hosting dozens of young people at a weekly Bible study in their home. A few young people were converted, said Sharon, but there were distressing things, too. She said that Todd was blending elements of witchcraft with his Christian teaching and seducing some of the girls, several of whom confided in leaders at Melodyland Christian Center. In an ugly confrontation with Melodyland church leaders around Christmas, 1973, Todd denied the charges and stormed out.

### A Matter of Records

Clark denounced Todd on TV, and the Todds headed back to San Antonio. Throughout their marriage Todd had been using drugs, says Sharon, and he was dropping in and out of witchcraft. He spoke of trying to reenlist in the army (he had served from February, 1969, to July, 1970), and he obtained his army records. (Although he is still telling audiences that the records do not exist, CHRISTIANITY TODAY has obtained a copy that shows he spent only twenty-five days overseas—in Germany, not Viet Nam.)

Family members say that Todd was witnessing to Sharon's relatives about Christ but at the same time was trying to enlist them in witchcraft, apparently for sexual reasons. He made Sharon's teenage sister pregnant, alleged both Sharon and the sister. The latter says she finally received Christ several months ago, but

had been turned off to Christianity almost completely by Todd. (Todd declined to be interviewed for this report.)

Finally, the lanky 6'4" Todd left Sharon in mid-1974 and went to Dayton where he met Sheila Spoonmore. The pair apparently lived together for about two years before getting married. During this period Todd operated The Witches Caldron. He attracted the attention of authorities when parents of teenage girls complained he was corrupting their children's morals. One 16-year-old finally agreed to tell the police what was going on at Todd's house and store. She said that witchcraft initiation rites were carried out in the nude, and that Todd had forced her to have oral sex.

Todd pleaded guilty to contributing to the unruliness of a minor and served two months of a six-month sentence in a county institution. Chick and a lawyer succeeded in getting him released early for medical reasons. (He was said to be having seizures.) He was placed on five years' probation which he promptly broke by leaving the state. He traveled to Phoenix, where Ken Long got him a job as a cook in a steak house. "Todd swore he was out of witchcraft for good," says Long, "but after only two weeks on the job he was talking to two girls about plans to open up an occult bookstore." Todd, however, abruptly left town, and Long has not seen him since.

Todd's occult operation in Dayton held a temporary charter as the Watchers Church of Wicca under the National Church and School of Wicca, headquartered in New Bern, North Carolina. Todd appealed to Wicca head Gavin Frost and civil rights specialist Isaac Bonnawitz to help him with the police problems in Dayton. Both men investigated quietly, and Frost announced their findings in the Wicca news letter:

"We found absolutely no foundation for the charges of persecution made by the Todds; rather we found a very negative situation conducted by an ex-Satanist, ex-Christian priest as a cover for sexual perversion and drug abuse. Todd is armed and dangerous, and any activity by him should immediately be reported to the Church of Wicca."

Todd's police record shows that a felony warrant was issued against him in New Mexico for passing a bad check. He was arrested in Columbus in 1968 for malicious destruction of property. He was treated for drug overdose at an army installation in Maryland in 1969. A warrant for his arrest awaits him in Ohio, as does a judgment against him for \$22,000 in a defamation case.

Todd claims many of the police are associated with Freemasonry, an Illuminati organization, and therefore should be considered enemies. In an interview, Berry said he thinks the theory is a plausible one.

The freemasonry is what forced Strom Thurmond off the Bob Jones University board after Todd spread the word that the senator is a mason.

Todd was given psychiatric examinations twice while in the army. His records indicate evidence of an unstable home background and possible brain damage as a result of beatings. The second examination a few months later labeled his malady "emotional instability with pseudologica phantastica." Todd finds it difficult to tell reality from fantasy, says a medical report. It spoke of homicidal threats he had made on another, false suicide reports, and a severe personality disturbance. It saw no hope for change and recommended Todd's discharge.

Pastor Clifford Wicks of the 850-member Grace Brethren Church in Somerset, Pennsylvania, cancelled Todd after he delivered the third of four scheduled messages in his church last month.

Wicks said reaction to Todd was mixed and that some persons experienced revival. However, Wicks reported one particularly disturbing reaction to Todd. Some people in the community, expressing a sense of dismay and helplessness at the coming events as predicted by Todd, said: "Pastor, we will not allow them to torture our families; we have decided that we will kill our children before that happens."

EDWARD E. PLOWMAN

JOHN WAYNE TODD

Investigation conducted by the Albuquerque, Indianapolis, Phoenix, and Los Angeles offices of the FBI failed to disclose any warrants currently outstanding for JOHN WAYNE TODD.

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On March 7, 1979, [redacted] Montgomery County Sheriff's Office, and [redacted] Dayton, Ohio, Police Department, advised that a review of their respective files revealed the following information regarding JOHN WAYNE TODD:

TODD was arrested initially on February 10, 1976, and charged with Contributing To Unruliness, however, on October 13, 1976, the charge was changed to Contributing To The Delinquency Of A Minor and he was sentenced to six months at the Dayton Human Relation Center. [redacted] Dayton, Ohio, Police Department, advised the only charges outstanding for Subject is a traffic capias issued October 13, 1978, for charge of No Driver's License and the charge is still pending.

Inquiry through the National Crime Information Center failed to disclose any warrants currently outstanding for JOHN WAYNE TODD.

## FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date of transcription 3/23/79

An individual, who identified himself as JOHN TODD, was interviewed at his residence located off of the county line road northwest of Florence, Montana. DALE E. DYE, Sheriff, Ravalli County Sheriff's Office, Hamilton, Montana, accompanied Special Agent JOSEPH H. SERVEL on this interview.

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[redacted] and [redacted] were also present in the room with TODD during his interview.

At the outset of the interview TODD was informed of the personal and official identities of Special Agent SERVEL and Sheriff DYE. He was informed he was being interviewed concerning his possible possession of fully automatic weapons and other military hardware.

TODD immediately denied having any military weapons, other military hardware or illegal weapons. He said he is aware of the fact that it is illegal to possess a fully automatic weapon without proper licenses. He also stated it is no secret that he has a number of weapons, reloading supplies and equipment and other "survival" gear and offered to make them available for inspection.

From personal observation, it was noted that there are numerous rifles, several shotguns and a quantity of reloading supplies and equipment at the TODD residence.

After executing a Consent to Search, TODD indicated he would allow Special Agent SERVEL and Sheriff DYE to look at his "assault" weapons, which were in his bedroom under the bed.

In his bedroom TODD had the following weapons:

Make	Colt AR15
Caliber	.223
Serial #	SP 57495

Make	H & K Military T-3
Caliber	.308
Serial #	AO 13924

Investigation on 3/14/79 at Florence, Montana File # BT #52-5765

SA JOSEPH H. SERVEL/imw

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Make	Remington, Model 870
Caliber	12 gauge
Serial #	T 506395 V
Make	Ruger Blackhawk
Caliber	.44 magnum with seven and one-half inch barrel
Serial #	82-46051
Make	Ruger Blackhawk
Caliber	.357 Magnum with six inch barrel
Serial #	33-27867
Make	Colt, Mark IV, automatic
Caliber	.45
Serial #	57868G70
Make	Colt, Mark IV, automatic
Caliber	.45
Serial #	04955G70

TODD identified these weapons as his "assault" weapons. He said he could understand their being checked out; however, when requested to allow Special Agent SERVEL and Sheriff DYE to continue to check the serial numbers on the other rifles and shotguns in the house, he refused to do so, indicating he did not feel the search and/or check should go any further without a search warrant.

TODD was asked whether or not he had any other weapons that could be mistaken for military weapons, and he stated he did not. He denied having any military grenades and offered to allow Special Agent SERVEL and Sheriff DYE to look around outside.

TODD stated that included with the house, which he is renting, he has ten acres of land. This is all

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heavily wooded and a close search was not possible. A newly constructed target backstop was located a short distance from the house. It was evident this target backstop had not been used very much as of the date of this interview.

TODD advised he derives his income through writing books and articles published by CHICK PUBLICATIONS, Cucamonga, California, and publication of "The Survival Newsletter." Numerous copies of this newsletter were on the floor of the family room, where TODD was first interviewed, and he furnished a copy to Special Agent SERVEL.

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JOHN WAYNE TODD is described as follows:

Name	JOHN WAYNE TODD
Aliases	JOHNNIE WAYNE TODD LANCE COLLINS
Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of Birth	May 19, 1949
Place of Birth	Columbus, Ohio
Height	6'4"
Weight	220"
Eyes	Blue
Hair	Brown
Military Service	He claims U. S. Army Special Forces, February, 1968 - July, 1970
Social Security Account and Service #	273-50-2370
Residence	Florence, Montana
Marital Status	Married
Occupation	Writer, editor of "The Survival Newsletter," Post Office Box #115, Florence, Montana 59833



JOHN WAYNE TODD

The serials numbers on the "assault" guns made available by JOHN WAYNE TODD during his interview on March 14, 1979, were checked through the National Crime Information Center. This check was negative.